

SUFFOLK COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS
Minutes of Public Meeting Held on
August 1, 2018
In the Office of the Board of Ethics
Sunrise Business Center, 3500 Sunrise Highway, Room 364
Great River, New York 11739

Meeting: *Board Members present:* Eric A. Kopp, Linda Spahr, Dennis O'Doherty, Anthony Parlatore, and David Bekofsky. *Staff present:* Samantha Segal, Executive Director, and Darlene Mohlmann, Board Secretary, taking minutes.

Ascertainment of Quorum: The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chair, Eric A. Kopp. A roll call was conducted and a quorum was present.

Adoption of Agenda: A motion was made by Anthony Parlatore, seconded by Dennis O'Doherty, to adopt the agenda. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

Adoption of Minutes: A motion was made by Dennis O'Doherty, seconded by David Bekofsky to adopt the minutes of the July 18, 2018 meeting. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (4-0-1) Linda Spahr abstained.

Public Session: Eric A. Kopp opened Public Session. No members of the public were present and no written testimony was submitted. Eric A. Kopp closed Public Session.

Chair Report: None.

Executive Director Report: Samantha Segal, Executive Director, reported and/or discussed the following:

- 2018 Candidate Financial Disclosure Statements
 - Received list of candidates for upcoming elections: Suffolk County Comptroller and Suffolk County Clerk, 3 of the 5 listed candidates are May 15th filers and have filed a 2018 FDS, the office sent letters to the other 2 who have yet to file;
- 2018 Training:
 - Elected Officials and Appointed Employees of Elected Officials Training scheduled for September 28, 2018 at the Legislative Auditorium; additional departments may receive invitations if space permits;
 - Training outreach letter to Commissioner of Police sent/ Commissioner Hart will return a list of planned attendees to training;
- Board Rule #002/2018 Review;
- Financial Disclosure Statement Question Inquiry:
 - Question 5, Non-County Income: If income reported from real estate rental does the Board need to know the name of the tenant? Board determined that disclosure of the tenant of rental should be requested if commercial property listed;
- 2019 Budget – August Update: Office will reach out to State to request a waiver of Continuing Education Sponsor Application/Renewal Fees.

A motion was made by Eric Kopp, seconded by Anthony Parlatore to move Counsel Updates to the public session agenda. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

Counsel Updates: Senbanjo was served by Board action for collection of fine.

Executive Session: At 9:35 a.m. a motion was made by Eric A. Kopp, seconded by Dennis O'Doherty to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing confidential matters pertaining to Counsel Updates, one Advisory Opinion Request, one Advisory Opinion, and two Public Record Reviews in accordance with the Suffolk County Administrative Code §A30-8 and the New York State Open Meetings Law. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

During Executive Session:

- A motion was made to approve standing of Advisory Opinion Request No. AO-2018-15. Approved (5-0-0);

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- Eric A. Kopp, Chair, tabled vote on Advisory Opinion No. AO-2018-15 for revisions to the August 15, 2018 agenda.

At 9:50 a.m. a motion was made by Eric A. Kopp, seconded by Anthony Parlatore, to close Executive Session. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

New Business: Executive Director noted that in the event investigative services are needed while the Board's part-time investigator is out on leave the Board qualified one other individual during the interview process.

The next meeting of the Board will be held on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by David Bekofsky, seconded by Dennis O'Doherty to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0) (9:50 a.m.).